



California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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Topic	California Fire Alarm Standards		
Code Section(s)	§3-8.3.1.2, NFPA 72 (1999 ed)		
Requested by	Ron Dalton, President California Automatic Fire Alarm Association 3401 Pacific Ave. #1-C Marina Del Rey, CA 90292		

- 1. Does Section 3-8.3.1.2 of NFPA 72 (1999) apply to only those occupancies regulated by the State Fire Marshal or to all occupancies regardless of who is the authority having jurisdiction?***

Section 3-8.3.1.2 applies to all occupancies.

- 2. Can a local authority having jurisdiction (submit amendments for approval and) be less restrictive than the minimum State requirements regardless of occupancy classification?***

No. A local authority having jurisdiction cannot be less restrictive than the minimum State requirements regarding the installation of fire alarm systems.